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CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASS APPROVAL APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Approval for continuing education classes may be applied for in the following ways:

Individual classes and CE offered during an initial education course are applied for through the [eLicensing Portal](#)

1. See the [How to Guide](#) for applying for CE on the eLicensing portal, and/or watch the [CE Application Training Video](#)
2. Continuing Education Program Sponsors will complete the [EMS CE Program Sponsor application form](#).

Each application must be submitted at least thirty (30) days prior to the class.

1. Email completed CE sponsor applications and all additional required documents for CE program sponsor to MDHHS-CE@michigan.gov.

Additional information that must be submitted when using the eLicensing portal includes:

1. A [lesson plan](#) for each category that includes:
 - a. Specifics on location of class
 - b. Time and length of class.
 - c. Topic and category for credits to be awarded.
 - d. Presenter(s) name(s) and Curriculum Vitae or resume' if not a licensed IC, and, if applicable, [subject matter expert criteria](#).
 - e. Educational goals and/or learning objectives
 - f. Outline for lesson
 - g. evaluation that will be used for the continuing education session

CE offerings within an initial education course requires:

1. Course schedule that identifies time, date, and length of class and topic and credits to be awarded
2. Copy of the evaluation tool to be utilized
3. Apply for the CE Within an Initial Education Course on the eLicensing portal. This can be done on the same day of the session and prior to the start time.

Once specific continuing education topics have been approved, the Instructor Coordinator may submit a request(s) to offer additional sessions for the remainder of the calendar year. The application must meet all requirements of an initial application. A copy of the original CE approval must be submitted with the application.

The attendance roster must be uploaded into the documents section of the CE in the eLicensing portal after the attendance is completed with the date and "pass".

Approved EMS CE Program Sponsor Request to Conduct Continuing Education

1. [Application to conduct CE for CE Program Sponsor](#)

- a. Used when an approved EMS CE Program Sponsor wishes to provide CE that is not part of an initial training program and would like to add a lesson plan to their EMS CE Sponsor Application
- b. Continuing Education Policies apply to the administration of these programs as noted.

Overview of Continuing Education Policies

1. Courses not included in the current edition of the pre-approved standardized credit guidebook must be submitted for approval at least 30 days prior to the class. Instructor Coordinators applying for credits are to follow the guidelines in this document.
2. The application must document specific dates and times that the program will be offered. All continuing education programs must be available for monitoring by the Department. The IC must notify the Department of any cancellations or changes prior to the approved class start time.
3. If you are holding a virtual session, the link to this session must be placed on the application.
4. It is both Administrative Rule and Department policy to award CE based on one continuing education credit per one contact hour. Classes must meet for the scheduled time for credits to be awarded. Fractions of credits are given in 1/2 credit increments. One credit is defined as 50-60 minutes of education. One half credit is defined as 25-30 minutes of education in order to allow time for questions, and discussion.
5. All CE courses applied for must be held in a facility conducive to education and training. Exception will be made for extrication/rescue/field courses and virtual courses.
6. Professional behavior, conduct, and attributes will be adhered to at all times.
7. While an Instructor Coordinator must sign and submit CE notifications for approval, an Instructor Coordinator is not required to teach or be present at CE classes. The IC remains responsible for the class. The Instructor Coordinator's signature must be on all proof of attendance certificates provided to the participant.
8. For CE sponsor certificates of attendance, the program approval number and both the Program Director and Instructor for the session must sign the Certificate of Attendance.
9. Please review the "Conversion Document" on page 9 for assistance in determining the category for each specific subject topic.
10. The attendance roster for continuing education must have the attendee's name, license number, and signature if this was an in-person class. If the CE was conducted virtually, simply mark that on the roster in lieu of signatures.
11. The attendance roster for Individual CE and CE within an initial education program must be entered on the eLicensing portal within 10 days of the class being held.

When applying for Michigan continuing education credits for CE programs approved by the Michigan boards of medicine, osteopathic medicine, nursing, pharmacy, academic course related to EMS or that have been attended out of state, the individual should provide to Michigan Department of Health & Human Services at MDHHS-CE@michigan.gov documentation that gives evidence that the participant attended the program, a detailed program content outline that includes number of hours of program, and some rationale for why credits are warranted. Topics being evaluated must have some relationship to the topic areas utilized in Michigan. Upon review and approval of the credits requested, the BETP EMS CE & Specialty Education Coordinator will provide a letter for the individual to submit with their CE records. All requests must be submitted within sixty (60) days of completion. ***Approval requests for credits submitted at the time an audit is issued will not be reviewed.***

- Programs that are approved by the [Commission on Accreditation for Pre-Hospital Continuing Education](#) (CAPCE) are accepted in Michigan. The content of the program must relate to Emergency Medical Services and must follow Michigan credit categories.
- Only 1 sample certificate of attendance and evaluation form are necessary for each application unless either will be altered for a specific class.
- Once a CE is approved you may reapply for the same CE, within the same calendar year, by completing a new application 30 days in advance and upload a copy of the original emailed approval to the application. You may also find the approval in your “My Courses” tab of the eLicensing portal. Include a copy of the certificate of attendance.
- Instructor Coordinator credits and provider credits may be awarded for the same CE session providing the content meets the objectives of both CE requests.
- [Distance learning](#) may be utilized in both initial and continuing education courses, providing that this [policy](#) is followed.
- Notification must be made to the [Department](#) if an approved continuing education class is cancelled.

Credits to be earned by each license level:

CE Chart	MFR (15 Total)	EMT (30 Total)	AEMT (36 Total)	Paramedic (45 Total)
Preparatory	1	2	2	2
Airway Ventilation	1	2	2	2
Patient Assessment	1	2	2	2
Medical	1	2	2	2
BLS for Healthcare Provider	2	2	2	2
Trauma	1	2	2	2
Special Considerations				
Pediatrics Medication Administration- <u>Practical</u>			1	1
Pediatrics Airway	1	1	1	1
Pediatrics Assessment	1	1	1	1
Pediatrics Medical	1	1	1	1
Pediatrics Trauma	1	1	1	1
Operations		1	1	1
Emergency Preparedness	1	1	1	1
<i>Individual Choice</i>	3	12	17	26
Total	15	30	36	45

***Special Considerations Category:** All levels must have specific Pediatric CEs, as identified in the above chart. Other Special Considerations credits may include Geriatrics, Special Needs or Assessment Based Patient Management.

***Operations Category:** All levels must have a minimum of 1 Emergency Preparedness credit.

***Pediatric Medication Administration-Practical:** This class can only be conducted as a continuing education topic and is not considered with any pediatric certification course. This class utilizes the length-based tape, MI-Medic cards, and practices drawing up and diluting medications in a scenario-based format. It is possible to conduct this CE virtually. Resources are available to assist instructor coordinators with the virtual format.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE CREDIT RECORD FORMS

- It is required that Program Directors of a CE program sponsor must provide a certificate of attendance to all CE session participants. The individual participant must retain this proof of attendance in the event an audit of the individual's CE record is done at the time of license renewal or re-licensure or other compliance activities.
- The eLicensing portal will create an auto-generated CE certificate of attendance for individual CE that will go into the participants education report portal once attendance is completed with the date and "pass".
- The IC must have all participants sign an attendance roster at the CE session. The signed roster must be uploaded to the eLicensing portal when attendance is completed. The CE sponsor must keep CE records for seven years.
- If the class was held virtually, an attendee's signature is not required on the roster, however, the "virtual" on the roster must be marked.
- CE Sponsor Program Certificate of Attendance requirements:
 - **Name of Location Held**
 - **Credit Category, Specific Topic Name**
 - **Credits Awarded and License Level**
 - **Date, Time, Location**
 - **Printed Name, Approval Number, and Signature of the Program Director and Instructor (if different)**
 - **Space for Name of Attendee**
- The certificate of attendance should be developed so that they appear as an original and are difficult to duplicate.
- Individual continuing education classes require the roster to be completed on the eLicensing portal within 10 days of the class.

SAMPLE Certificate of Attendance

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE						
Name of CE Program						
Sponsor						
Date, Time, Address						
Name						
Category	Topic	MFR/EMR	EMT	AEMT/ Specialist	Paramedic	IC

PD Signature: _____

IC Signature: _____

Instructor: Name here

Approval Number: XX-ICE-XXXXX

- Independent study CE credits may be awarded for articles in professional journals, ongoing serial productions, and interactive computer programs as long as the program is developed by a professional group or other approved provider of CE and meets all of the following:
 - The participant is required to make an active and appropriate response to the education material
 - A test or evaluation tool if one has been provided by the developer
 - A record of completion if one has been provided by the developer

All requests for independent study shall be submitted to MDHHS within thirty (30) days of completing for review and approval. Submissions received at the time of an audit will not be reviewed.

Sample Evaluation Tool

Name of Program

Name of CE Topic

Date:

1: The content of this CE was consistent with the title:

☐ Agree ☐ Neutral ☐ Disagree

2: Information presented will be useful in my practice:

☐ Agree ☐ Neutral ☐ Disagree

3: Presenter/s were well prepared:

☐ Agree ☐ Neutral ☐ Disagree

4: I am leaving this session knowing more about this subject:

☐ Agree ☐ Neutral ☐ Disagree

Comments: _____

Lesson Plan: Special Considerations: Pediatric Medical

Description: This session will review common medical conditions of children and current treatments.

Instructor:

Credit Category:

Special Considerations: Pediatric Medical-MFR/EMR, EMT, Specialist/AEMT, Paramedic

Time: 0900-1000 hrs.

Objectives:

By the end of the session, the student will:

1. Understand the physiology of the respiratory system in pediatric patients
2. Have a thorough understanding of the signs and symptoms of respiratory complications in pediatric patients.
3. Have a thorough understanding of the signs and symptoms of seizures in pediatric patients.
4. Gain knowledge in recent pediatric complications in the county.
5. Identify current practice of care in pediatric medical emergencies.

Outline: PPT and videos

- I. Introductions and overview of the session.
- II. Review A&P of the pediatric airway and respiratory system.
- III. Review Signs and Symptoms of respiratory complications, seizure activity, and blood glucose issues.
- IV. Review recent cases of pediatric patients in our service area. Up-to-date statistics in our area.
- V. Up-to-date treatments for medical conditions in pediatric patients and protocol review.
- VI. Q&A, evaluation, certificate of attendance.

Class Evaluations

A standard CE class evaluation will be conducted by the attendees.

Review

A summary of the CE course will be completed and updates to materials may be necessary based on feedback on evaluations.

Certificate of Attendance

Certificate of attendance will be handed to each attendee of the CE class for a CE program sponsor.

Attendance Roster

The physical roster will be managed by the IC. In addition, the roster will be completed on the eLicensing portal for MDHHS-BETP

Conversion Document for Various CE topics

Category	Possible Topics	Level
Preparatory	A&P, Communicable Disease, Injury Prevention, Patient Handling, IV Therapy, Pharmacology, Medical-Legal, Stress Management	MFR/EMR- minus IV Therapy EMT- minus IV Therapy Specialist/AEMT-All Paramedic-All
Airway	OPA, NPA, Oxygen administration, BVM ventilation, CPAP/BiPAP, Cricothyrotomy Intubation, ventilators, Capnography, color-metric device, high-flow nasal cannula, pulse oximetry	MFR/EMR-Oxygen administration, BLS airway adjuncts, igel®, colorimetric device, pulse oximetry EMT-BLS airways, supraglottic airways, capnography, color metric devices, pulse oximetry Specialist/AEMT-does not include cricothyrotomy, intubation, ventilators, high-flow nasal cannula Paramedic-ALL
Pt Assessment	Patient assessment, Human Trafficking, Pulse oximetry, therapeutic communications	ALL
Medical	Abdominal, Behavioral, Cardiovascular, CNS illness, Diabetic Environmental, OB/GYN, Poisons/OD, Respiratory, AMS, blood glucose check	ALL
Trauma	Abdominal injuries, bleeding, hemorrhage, soft tissue, orthopedic, burns, chest injuries, CNS injuries, musculoskeletal injuries, shock, spinal injuries.	ALL
Special Considerations	Geriatrics, special populations, Autism Spectrum Disorder	ALL
Special Considerations: Peds Airway	Specific pediatric airway issues, adjuncts	ALL
Special Considerations: Peds Assessment	Pediatric assessment, communicating with pediatric patients, infant safe sleep	ALL
Special Considerations: Peds Medical	Pediatric medical conditions, respiratory emergencies, seizures	ALL
Special Considerations: Peds Trauma	Pediatric trauma emergencies	ALL

Special Considerations: Peds Med Administration	Practical Medication Administration	Specialist/AEMT and Paramedic *Required practical course*
Operations	Emergency driving, EMS Ops, MCA issues, crime scene awareness, PPE, confined space, communications, documentation	ALL
Operations: Emergency Preparedness	Disaster planning, CBRNE, incident command, triage, WMD, Terrorism, HazMat.	ALL